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ON SEPTEMBER 9, 1976, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ABROAD, WHO IS AN OFFICIAL OF THE BUENOS AIRES PROVINCIAL POLICE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE, PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

DURING THE EVENING OF SEPTEMBER 9, 1976, MEMBERS OF THE MONTONERO TERRORIST ORGANIZATION ASSASSINATED CARLOS BALZA, AN EXECUTIVE OF THE CHRYSLER CORPORATION NEAR HIS RESIDENCE IN RAMOS MEJIA, BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE. IT IS NOTED THAT THE CHRYSLER CORPORATION AND OTHER AUTOMOTIVE MANUFACTURERS IN ARGENTINA HAVE BEEN THE OBJECTS OF VARIOUS WORK STOPPAGES AND STRIKES DURING THE PAST SEVERAL DAYS, IN ORDER TO DEMAND HIGHER WAGES. THE CHRYSLER CORPORATION ANNOUNCED IT WOULD SUMMARILY DISMISS ANY EMPLOYEE, WHO TOOK PART IN WORK STOPPAGES OR UNAUTHORIZED STRIKES.

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ADMINISTRATIVE - SOURCE IS COMISARIO MAYOR OSVALDO DE BALDRICH, BUENOS AIRES PROVINCIAL POLICE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE.

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FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS - ARGENTINA; IS - ARGENTINA;
ARGENTINE TERRORIST ACTIVITIES; FPM - ARGENTINA.

ON SEPTEMBER 3, 1976, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ABROAD,
WHO IS AN OFFICIAL OF THE BUENOS AIRES PROVINCIAL POLICE,
PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

ON SEPTEMBER 2, 1976, DAVID KRAISELBURD, THE TWO-YEAR-OLD
SON OF THE EDITOR OF "EL DIA," A SPANISH-LANGUAGE DAILY
NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED IN LA PLATA, ARGENTINA, WAS ABDUCTED NEAR
THE FAMILY RESIDENCE IN LA PLATA, ARGENTINA. IT IS NOTED THAT
THE VICTIM OF THE KIDNAPPING IS THE GRANDSON OF DAVID KRAISELBURD,
WHO WAS KIDNAPPED AND MURDERED BY ARGENTINE TERRORISTS IN LA
PLATA DURING JULY, 1974. ALTHOUGH THE KIDNAPPED VICTIM'S
PARENTS ARE ARGENTINE CITIZENS, HE WAS BORN ON NOVEMBER 3, 1974,
IN SANTA BARBARA, CALIFORNIA, AND IS A UNITED STATES CITIZEN.

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ADMINISTRATIVE - SOURCE IS COMISARIO MAYOR OSVALDO DE
BALDRICH, CHIEF OF INTELLIGENCE, BUENOS AIRES PROVINCIAL POLICE.
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ERP

On 8/3/76, an official of the Buenos Aires Provincial Police (BAPP) Intelligence Service provided the following information:

Approximately one week to ten days prior to the discovery of the location of ERP leader, MARIO ROBERTO SANTUCHO, elements of the BAPP Intelligence Service and the Argentine Army Intelligence Service (SIE) apprehended ranking ERP leader, DOMINGO MENA, near Tigre, Buenos Aires Province. SANTUCHO was almost caught at the same time; however, he managed to escape. (S) (U)

MENA, after initial resistance, cooperated with SIE in providing locations of ERP safe houses and the identities of ERP support personnel. For example, MENA identified one of his lieutenants, who was subsequently apprehended on 7/28/76, from whom information was secured by the SIE with regard to the ERP interest in members of the U. S. Milgrp in Argentina. Additionally, MENA told the SIE about the location of an ERP safe house located in Villa Martelli, Buenos Aires Province, which was occupied by a female identified only as "La Gringa." Accordingly, one BAPP Intelligence Agent, two SIE Agents, and a SIE Captain, were dispatched to this apartment to pick up "La Gringa." Prior to entering the apartment, the BAPP Intelligence Agent discovered that his weapon had no ammunition since he had forgotten to load the clip after discharging all of the rounds on the preceding day; however, expecting no trouble from the lone female occupant of the apartment, the group of four security officers knocked on the door, which was opened by the female. The BAPP Intelligence Agent pushed his way into the small foyer of the apartment, searched the female, found she was unarmed and beckoned his SIE companions into the apartment. Immediately after entering the apartment, two unidentified male individuals were observed sitting in an extremely small kitchen of the apartment. The SIE Captain, armed with a 9 mm. machine gun, commanded the two unidentified male individuals to stand up from the table and put themselves on the floor of the kitchen. In the process of placing themselves on the floor, an indi- (S) (U)

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ERP

vidual, subsequently identified as ERP leader JORGE BENITO URTEAGA, managed to execute an abrupt maneuver, kicking the machine gun out of the SIE Army Captain's hands. After clattering to the floor, the machine gun was recovered by the other male individual subsequently identified as MARIO ROBERTO SANTUCHO. SANTUCHO fired the machine gun at point blank range at the SIE Army Captain and two rounds were discharged striking the Captain in the chest and arms before the machine gun jammed. URTEAGA and SANTUCHO had no other weapons available to them and were gunned down by two SIE Agents. The SIE Army Captain died enroute to a hospital in Vicente Lopez, Buenos Aires Province, Buenos Aires. If the machine gun had not jammed on SANTUCHO, it is more than likely that both he and URTEAGA would have been able to eliminate the two SIE Agents and the BAPP Intelligence Agent and escape. (S) (U)

The entire episode as narrated above demonstrates the general modus operandi of Argentine security forces in running down leads secured from captioned ERP prisoners and/or documentation without first conducting basic checks of the information. As has occurred in previous instances, faulty equipment available to the security forces has resulted in disaster and in this instance almost allowed SANTUCHO to escape. (S) (U)

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THE AMBASSADOR
VIA ACTING A/C

7/16/76

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LEGAL ATTACHE ROBERT W. SCHARNER

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5/3/01

TERRORIST UTILIZATION OF
ROADBLOCKS POSING AS SECURITY FORCES

On 7/15/76, an official of the Federal Police of Argentina (FPA), Department of Federal Security (Intelligence Division), provided the following information: ~~(S)~~ (U)

Recently the Argentine Army Intelligence Service (SIA) circulated information to all Argentine security units indicating that information had been obtained from captured Montonero documents indicating that the Montoneros were working on plans to set up roadblocks posing as military and police personnel. The Montoneros were planning to attempt to identify military and police personnel passing through the roadblocks and assassinate them on the spot. ~~(S)~~ (U)

On 7/16/76, an official of the Buenos Aires Provincial Police Intelligence Service provided the following information:

Recently the ERP set up a roadblock on the Panamerican Highway at Kilometer 46 under the pretext of being plainclothes Buenos Aires Provincial Police officers. Approximately 30 motorists were stopped and a monetary contribution to the ERP was demanded from each motorist. The motorists caught in the roadblock were given a receipt for their donation to the ERP and a large red ERP star was affixed to their windshield before they were allowed to leave the roadblock area. One unfortunate motorist proceeded directly to a Buenos Aires Provincial Police Sub-station and was assassinated by Buenos Aires Provincial Police guards outside of the Police Sub-station, who upon viewing the ERP star on the motorist's windshield, opened fire believing that an ERP attack against the Sub-station was about to commence.

With regard to Montonero plans to set up roadblocks to facilitate the assassination of military and police personnel, the FPA and the Argentine military have been utilizing extensive helicopter patrols throughout the Federal Capital and Buenos Aires Province, in order to detect any fraudulent roadblocks or checkpoints. To date none have been detected.

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TERRORIST UTILIZATION OF ROADBLOCKS POSING AS SECURITY FORCES

The FPA source noted that should the Montoneros put their plan into operation, their roadblocks would more than likely be established during the evening hours in order to avoid the possibility of helicopter detection and to minimize the opportunity of close examination of uniforms and presumed police and military vehicles utilized in the roadblock. This conclusion was arrived at since military and police personnel have expert knowledge of the correct uniforms of their services and also would easily be able to recognize a fictitious military or police vehicle, or one that was brought from another district to the location of the roadblock, should the Montoneros steal a vehicle. The FPA source noted that generally speaking, combined police and military units manned roadblocks in the Federal Capital and the areas of Buenos Aires Province close to the Federal Capital. In most instances the source noted that plainly marked Federal Police or Provincial Police cruisers are present in the immediate vicinity of the roadblock, as well as military vehicles. Thus the source noted that a roadblock manned by individuals in uniform of either the police or military without the presence of a vehicle from either the military or police forces would be highly suspicious. Additionally, should combinations of uniforms be used, i.e. part of the individuals in street uniforms with others in combat dress, this should be viewed with suspicion. (S) (U)

The Buenos Aires Provincial Police source noted that his service conducted no roadblocks or checkpoints by police officers in civilian attire. Additionally, although unmarked police cruisers may be placed at a roadblock or checkpoint, there almost always is a marked cruiser on the scene. The source noted that any roadblock in Buenos Aires Province manned by individuals in civilian clothes with unmarked vehicles should be viewed with considerable suspicion and avoided if possible.

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THE AMBASSADOR
VIA ACTING DCM BEAL

6/21/76

LEGAL ATTACHE ROBERT W. SCHERRER

FRICITION BETWEEN THE BUENOS AIRES
PROVINCIAL POLICE, THE STATE SECRETARIAT
FOR INFORMATION (SIDE), and THE ARGENTINE
ARMY INTELLIGENCE SERVICE (SIE)

On 6/21/76, an official of the Buenos Aires
Provincial Police (BAPP) provided the following information:

During the week of 6/14/76, officers of the
Criminal Investigations Department of the BAPP raided the
residence of Colonel MITCHELL, a ranking official with SIDE.
During the course of the raid, Colonel MITCHELL's wife was
struck in the face several times by raiding BAPP Officers.
Colonel MITCHELL, who was incensed over the raid, went directly
to the head of SIDE, General PALADINO, in order to demand that
those responsible in the BAPP be severely admonished. Inquiries
by the Argentine Army disclosed that the BAPP raid on Colonel
MITCHELL's residence had been carried out on orders of BAPP
Comisario General ERNESTO VERDUM, the Director of BAPP Investiga-
tions, based on information passed directly to him by SIE. The
BAPP Chief, Colonel RAMON CAMPS, an active duty Army Colonel,
upon ascertaining the foregoing information, forced Comisario
General VERDUM into immediate retirement.

There is considerable bad feeling between BAPP,
SIE and SIDE. It is noted that SIE and the BAPP have been
collaborating with a considerable degree of success against
the terrorist target in Buenos Aires province. The entire
episode has demonstrated the need for closer coordination between
the civilian police forces and the military.

The foregoing should not be discussed with any
foreign officials, including those of the Argentine Government.

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ON APRIL 16, 1976, TERRORISTS WOUNDED A SECURITY GUARD DURING AN ATTACK AGAINST THE CRISTALERIAS RIGOLLEAU, S. A., COMPANY IN BERAZATEGUI, BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE. THE CRISTALERIAS RIGOLLEAU, S. A., COMPANY IS THE ARGENTINE SUBSIDIARY OF THE CORNING GLASS WORKS, CORNING, NEW YORK.

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TO: DIRECTOR NR. 089 -09
FROM: LEGAT, BUENOS AIRES (109-2) (109-103)

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TERRORIST ACTIVITIES; FPM-ARGENTINA.

ON APRIL 8, 1976, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ABROAD WHO IS AN
OFFICIAL OF THE BUENOS AIRES PROVINCIAL POLICE (BAPP) INTELLIGENCE
SERVICE PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

DURING THE MORNING OF APRIL 8, 1976 TERRORISTS ATTACKED
THE RESIDENCE OF CARLOS SARDAN, AN ARGENTINE EXECUTIVE OF THE
PFIZER COMPANY, S.A.I.C., IN BOULOGNE, BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE.
DURING THE ATTACK ONE OF SARDAN'S GUARDS WAS KILLED AND ANOTHER
SERIOUSLY WOUNDED. SARDAN ESCAPED INJURY.

IT IS NOTED THAT THE PFIZER COMPANY, SACI. IS THE
ARGENTINE SUBSIDIARY OF THE PFIZER CORPORATION, 235 EAST 42ND
STREET, NEW YORK, N. Y.

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ADMINISTRATIVE. SOURCE IS COMISARIO MAYOR OSVALDO DE
BALDRICH, CHIEF, BAPP INTELLIGENCE SERVICE.

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Pfizer Co., 4/8/76, Buenos Aires Province

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ON MARCH 29, 1976, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ABROAD, WHO IS AN OFFICIAL OF THE BUENOS AIRES PROVINCIAL POLICE (BAPP) INTELLIGENCE SERVICE PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

ON MARCH 26, 1976, TERRORISTS ATTACKED THE RESIDENCE OF A FORD MOTOR COMPANY ENGINEER IN HURLINGHAM, BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE, FOR THE APPARENT PURPOSE OF KIDNAPPING THE ENGINEER. DURING THE GUN BATTLE AT THE RESIDENCE, TWO FORD MOTOR COMPANY SECURITY GUARDS WERE SLAIN AND THEIR WEAPONS STOLEN.

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ADMINISTRATIVE - SOURCE IS COMISARIO MAYOR OSVALDO DE BALDRICH, CHIEF, BAPP INTELLIGENCE SERVICE.

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FROM: LEGAT, BUENOS AIRES (109-2) (109-103)

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TERRORIST ACTIVITIES; FPM-ARGENTINA.

ON JANUARY 29, 1976, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ABROAD WHO IS
AN OFFICIAL OF THE BUENOS AIRES PROVINCIAL POLICE (BAPP)
INTELLIGENCE SERVICE, PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

ON JANUARY 29, 1976 AT APPROXIMATELY 9:45 A.M., FIFTEEN
ARMED INDIVIDUALS, INCLUDING TWO WOMEN, FORCIBLY TOOK OVER
THE BENDIX CORPORATION PLANT IN MUNRO, BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE.
THE INDIVIDUALS ENTERED THE BENDIX CORPORATION LOCATION IN A
PICKUP TRUCK AND FOUR AUTOMOBILES. THE INDIVIDUALS WERE
ARMED WITH AUTOMATIC WEAPONS. THE INTRUDERS DEMANDED THAT
THE PRESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER OF THE BENDIX CORPORATION BE
PRODUCED BUT WERE INFORMED THAT THE FORMER WAS IN EUROPE
AND THAT THE LATTER HAD NOT YET ARRIVED AT THE COMPANY
INSTALLATION. AT APPROXIMATELY THE SAME TIME THAT THE TERRORISTS

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WERE DEMANDING TO SEE THE BENDIX CORPORATION PRESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER, THE CHIEF OF PERSONNEL AND THE CHIEF OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS OF THE BENDIX CORPORATION, BOTH ARGENTINE CITIZENS, ARRIVED AT WORK. THE TERRORISTS UNCEREMONIOUSLY GUNNED THEM DOWN AND ALSO KILLED A BAPP CORPORAL WHO ATTEMPTED TO COME TO THE EXECUTIVES' DEFENSE.

THE BENDIX CORPORATION HAS BEEN HAVING RECENT LABOR PROBLEMS AND IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE MONTONERO GUERRILLA ORGANIZATION WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED ATTACK, ALTHOUGH AS OF 11:30 A.M., JANUARY 29, 1976, THE CUSTOMARY COMMUNIQUE FROM THE ORGANIZATION RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ASSASSINATIONS HAD NOT YET BEEN RECEIVED BY THE BUENOS AIRES NEWS MEDIA.

THE BENDIX CORPORATION IS AN ARGENTINE SUBSIDIARY OF THE BENDIX CORPORATION OF NEW YORK.

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ADMINISTRATIVE. SOURCE IS COMISARIO MAYOR OSVALDO DE BALDRICH, CHIEF OF INTELLIGENCE, BAPP.

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TERRORIST ACTIVITIES; FPM-ARGENTINA.

[TWO CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES ABROAD WHO ARE OFFICIALS OF THE
INTELLIGENCE SERVICES OF THE FEDERAL POLICE OF ARGENTINA (FPA) ~~AN~~ (U)
THE BUENOS AIRES PROVINCIAL POLICE (BAPP) PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING
SUMMARY OF RECENT TERRORIST ACTIVITIES IN ARGENTINA:

ON OCTOBER 23, 1975, TERRORISTS IN CORDOBA, ARGENTINA
ATTEMPTED TO KIDNAP EDUARDO J. JOHNES, THE DIRECTOR OF LABOR
RELATIONS OF THE TRANSAX COMPANY, A SUBSIDIARY OF THE FORD MOTOR
COMPANY. THE TERRORISTS ATTEMPTED TO INTERCEPT JOHNES AS HE
WAS RETURNING TO HIS SUBURBAN CORDOBA RESIDENCE; HOWEVER,
JOHNES ESCAPED UNHARMED AFTER A VIOLENT SHOOT-OUT BETWEEN THE
TERRORISTS AND HIS GUARDS, WHO WERE ACCOMPANYING HIM.

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DURING THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 20, 1975 THE BAPP ARRESTED A 30-YEAR OLD ARGENTINE CITIZEN, ISMAEL JACINTO HAIK, WHO WAS OPERATING A PRINTING SHOP AND SHORT WAVE RADIO STATION FOR THE MONTONERO ARGENTINE GUERRILLA ORGANIZATION. AT THE TIME OF HIS ARREST, HAIK HAD TWO PUBLICATIONS, "CUESTIONES ARABES" (ARAB QUESTIONS") AND "LA VOZ DE PALESTINA" (THE VOICE OF PALESTINE") IN HIS POSSESSION. DURING INTERROGATION, HAIK ADMITTED HE HAD BEEN A MEMBER OF A PALESTINIAN TERRORIST GROUP.

DURING THE LATE EVENING OF OCTOBER 23, 1975, TERRORISTS ATTEMPTED TO ASSASSINATE COMISARIO GENERAL HORACIO ALBERTO ROJAS, THE FPA DEPUTY CHIEF, WHO WAS RETURNING TO HIS RESIDENCE FROM FPA HEADQUARTERS. AN HOUR LONG FIRE FIGHT ENSUED DURING WHICH ROJAS' BODYGUARDS MANAGED TO HOLD OFF THE TERRORISRS UNTIL FPA REINFORCEMENTS ARRIVED ON THE SCENE. ROJAS ESCAPED WITHOUT INJURY.

MEMBERS OF THE ARGENTINE TERRORIST ORGANIZATION, PEOPLE'S REVOLUTIONARY ARMY-AUGUST 22 FACTION, ASSASSINATED RETIRED ARGENTINE AIR FORCE COLONEL ARTURO LEOPOLDO LONGINOTTI NEAR HIS RESIDENCE IN SUBURBAN CASTELAR ON OCTOBER 26, 1975. COLONEL

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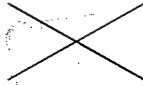
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LONGINOTTI'S SON WAS SERIOUSLY WOUNDED BY HIS FATHER'S ASSASSINS WHEN HE ATTEMPTED TO COME TO THE DEFENSE OF HIS FATHER.

DURING THE EARLY MORNING OF OCTOBER 26, 1975, MEMBERS OF THE MONTONEROS AMBUSHED TWO BAPP CRUISERS IN SAN ISIDRO, BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE UTILIZING AUTOMATIC WEAPONS AND HAND GRENADES. FOUR BAPP OFFICERS DIED IN THE FIRE FIGHT.

SEVERAL IMPORTANT KIDNAPPINGS ALSO TOOK PLACE IN THE GREATER BUENOS AIRES AREA DURING THE PERIOD OCTOBER 23-27, 1975. ON OCTOBER 23, 1975, REBECA MADANES DE FRIEDENTHAL, AN ARGENTINE MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FATE TIRE COMPANY, WAS KIDNAPPED WHILE EN ROUTE FROM HER RESIDENCE TO THE FATE PLANT. SHE WAS RELEASED ON OCTOBER 27, 1975, AFTER A LARGE RANSOM HAD BEEN PAID. .ON OCTOBER 24, 1975, ARTURO R. BULLRICH, A WEALTHY ARGENTINE CATTLE BREEDER AND BUSINESS MAN, WAS KIDNAPPED BY TERRORISTS. ON OCTOBER 27, 1975, FRANZ MITZ, A WEST GERMAN CITIZEN AND THE DIRECTOR OF PRODUCTION FOR THE MERCEDES BENZ COMPANY, WAS KIDNAPPED BY THE MONTONERO GUERRILLA ORGANIZATION.

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ADMINISTRATIVE. [SOURCES ARE COMISARIO GENERAL JORGE
CROVETTO, DIRECTOR OF FEDERAL SECURITY, FPA] ~~(S)~~ (U) AND COMISARIO MAYOR
OSVALDO DE BALDRICH, CHIEF OF INTELLIGENCE, RAPP.

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THE AMBASSADOR
VIA DCM

9/12/75

LEGAL ATTACHE ROBERT W. SCHERREN

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ON 10-25-95

MONTONEROS

Appeal 90-0371
39063ELW/BCE/DG Argentine Project
5-24-01

On 9/12/75, an official of the Buenos Aires Provincial Police (BAPP) provided the following information:

(A) (U) [During the late evening hours of 9/11/75, the BAPP conducted a raid against a Montonero stronghold at Florencio Varela, Buenos Aires Province (BAP), in the general area of the Pepsi Cola Bottling Company. The BAP found that the Montoneros were thoroughly entrenched in a private residence and firepower available to the BAPP was not sufficient to dislodge the Montoneros. In order to terminate the long shootout, the BAPP, who were acting in concert with members of the Argentine Army Intelligence Service (SIE), requested the Army to provide heavy weapons. A field cannon was provided from the Argentine Army arsenal in La Plata and Army personnel fired the cannon several times at the Montonero stronghold resulting in virtually complete destruction.] (A) (U)

The source noted that the BAPP and SIE have been collaborating very closely during recent weeks against the terrorist targets; however, the source noted that this collaboration has always been well guarded and known only among the hierarchy of the BAPP. The source pointed out that the immediate assistance of the Argentine Army in providing a field cannon to dislodge the Montoneros in what was a strictly police function, is a good indication of the seriousness of the Argentine Army and its commanders to involve the Army in the anti-terrorist campaign. (A) (U)

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THE AMBASSADOR
VIA DCN

9/4/75

LEGAL ATTACHE ROBERT W. SCHERRER

ARGENTINE TERRORIST ACTIVITIES

On 9/3/75, an official of the Argentine Army Intelligence Service (AAIS) provided the following information: ~~(S)~~ (U)

In addition to the raids noted in the press which were carried out by the Buenos Aires Provincial Police (BAPP) during the weekend of 8/30-9/1/75, the AAIS, through a penetration agent in the People's Revolutionary Army (ERP), extralegally detained a high ranking official of the ERP, ranking third or fourth in that organization, immediately after Mario Roberto Santucho and Enrique Haroldo Gorriaran Merlo, in Buenos Aires Province. This individual was detained with the assistance of the BAPP and is currently being interrogated by an AAIS and BAPP interrogation team. The source emphasized that the individual under detention is one of the most important ERP leaders to have been detained during the past year. ~~(S)~~ (U)

On 9/3/75, an official of the BAPP Intelligence Service, who is aware of the above-described detention of the ERP leader, advised it is the opinion of the BAPP that the assassination of BAPP Chief of Investigations, Comisario Alfonso Vergel in La Plata, and the attack against an Argentine Army truck during which Sgt. Anselmo Rios was killed, were acts of retaliation carried out by the ERP in answer to the extra-legal detention of the ERP official, as noted above.

The foregoing should not be discussed with foreign officials, including those of the Argentine Government.

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THE AMBASSADOR
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4/8/75

LEGAL ATTACHE

DISCOVERY OF EXTREMIST ARMS FACTORY

On 4/7/75, an official of the Buenos Aires Provincial Police (BAPP) provided the following information:

During the morning of 4/7/75, the BAPP, in a joint operation with officials of the State Secretariat for Information (SIDE) raided an extremist arms factory and assembly location in San Justo, Buenos Aires Province. In the raid components of 30 9 mm. machine guns were seized. Certain components seized were obviously fabricated in other locations; however, various other parts of the machine guns originated at the San Justo factory and assembly point. In addition, plans for a hand-operated bazooka were discovered among the technical material at the location. Specifications for the bazooka indicated it would be approximately 2 1/2 feet long and held with a pistol grip. The projectile for the bazooka was to be fired electrically, utilizing four large lantern batteries.

A married couple and another male individual were picked up at the factory and assembly site. These individuals all admitted to being members of the Montonero guerrilla organization. Information leading to the raid was secured from interrogations of various Tupamaros captured during the preceding week. Three of these Tupamaros have already been executed by security forces, since they refused to disclose any information.

During the morning of 4/7/75, the BAPP invited representatives of the three Argentine armed forces intelligence agencies to view the captured components for the machine gun. Shortly after the arrival of the armed forces representatives, a representative of the Federal Police of Argentina (FPA), Depart

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sent of Federal Security, appeared and requested that he be allowed to examine the arms factory and assembly point. Acting on orders from Buenos Aires Provincial Governor VICTOR CALABRO, the FPA representative was denied admittance and turned away.

The SAPP intend to maintain information concerning the discovery of the arms factory and assembly location a secret, inasmuch as they are acting on additional information secured through interrogations with prisoners.

The foregoing information should not be discussed with any foreign officials, including those of the Argentine and Uruguayan Governments.

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3/3/75

VIA DCM

LEGAL ATTACHE ROBERT F. SCHERRER

EGAN KILLING

On 2/28/75, an official of the Buenos Aires Provincial Police, advised that during the past month four individual activities of a terrorist nature were attributed to the Luis Silva Command of the Montonero guerrilla organization. The source advised that the Montoneros habitually name their commands after Montonero members killed "in the line of duty", indicating that the Montoneros have acknowledged Silva's demise by naming a command after him. The source noted that the above-described arrest acts took place in the general area of Ramos Mejia, Buenos Aires Province.

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FOREIGN POLITICAL MATTERS-ARGENTINA; IS-ARGENTINA.

ON FEBRUARY 28, 1975, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT JUDGE HUGO ALFREDO ANZOARREGUI, THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE BUENOS AIRES PROVINCIAL SUPREME COURT, WAS KIDNAPPED IN MONTE GRANDE, BUENOS AIRES PROVINCE, DURING THE MORNING OF FEBRUARY 28, 1975 BY THE MONTONERO TERRORIST ORGANIZATION.

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ADMINISTRATIVE: SOURCE IS COMISARIO INSPECTOR OSVALDO DE BALDRICH, CHIEF OF INTELLIGENCE, BUENOS AIRES PROVINCIAL POLICE.

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2/28/75

LEGAL ATTACHE ROBERT W. SCHERRER

KIDNAPPING OF HUGO ALFREDO ANZOARREGUI
CHIEF JUSTICE
BUENOS AIRES PROVINCIAL SUPREME COURT

On 2/28/75, an official of the Buenos Aires Provincial Police advised that captioned individual was abducted by presumed terrorists this morning in Monte Grande. Source advised Buenos Aires Provincial Police have launched an extensive investigation.

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THE AMBASSADOR
VIA THE DCM

1/30/75

LEGAL ATTACHE ROBERT W. SCHERRER

ASSASSINATION OF OSCAR ISMAEL LALLIA
LA PLATA, ARGENTINA
1/29/75

On 1/29/75, two ranking officials of the Buenos Aires Provincial Police (BAPP), advised that from all available information and evidence, captioned assassination was not the work of terrorists. The BAPP believe, based on interviews with witnesses at the scene of the assassination in La Plata, that the victim knew his assassins since he unhesitatingly approached their car and spoke with them for a short period of time before the assassination took place. The BAPP believed that the motive for victim's assassination may be related to a union problem or some matter of personal vengeance against the victim or his father.

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